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IMPORT TRADE CONTROL

New Delhi, the 11th June 1963

SUBJECT:—*Export Promotion Scheme for export of cut or polished synthetic stones and imitation jewellery.*

No. 56-ITC(PN)/63.—Attention of the Trade is invited to the items mentioned against Sl. Nos. 17 and 18 in Part II, Annexure I of Appendix 23 to the Import Trade Control Policy Book for April, 1963-March, 1964 covering exports of:—

1. cut or polished synthetic stones;
2. imitation Jewellery.

2. It has now been decided to grant import incentives against the exports of above mentioned materials by way of sales to foreign tourists also, in accordance with the specific provisions of the Export Promotion Scheme as per Annexure I to this Public Notice.

3. Registered Exporters who wish to avail of the import incentives provided in this Scheme would be required to obtain an authorisation from the Reserve Bank of India for accepting payment in foreign currency or foreign currency travellers' cheques against the sale of above mentioned items to the foreign tourists. Applications for such authorisation should be routed through the All India Handicrafts Board, Willingdon Crescent, New Delhi.

4. This Scheme has been deemed to have come into force with effect from the 1st April, 1963 and will apply to the sale of the above items effected on or after the 1st April, 1963.

ANNEXURE I TO THE PUBLIC NOTICE No. 56-ITC(PN)/63 DATED 11TH JUNE, 1963.

Export Promotion Scheme for Export of synthetic stones and imitation jewellery through sales to foreign tourists.

The Export Promotion Scheme set out in Part II of Annexure I in Appendix 23 of the Red Book for April, 1963-March, 1964, covers the export of the following items:—

- (a) cut or polished synthetic stones;
- (b) imitation jewellery.

The import entitlement allowed to registered exporters against the export of the above items is set out against items Nos. 17 and 18 of Part II of Annexure I in Appendix 23 of the Red-Book and as reproduced in Appendix to this note. It has now been decided that the export of the above items through sales by the

registered exporters to foreign tourists against payment in foreign currency or foreign currency travellers' cheques will also qualify for import entitlement subject to the following conditions:—

- (i) Evidence should be produced to show the sale to a foreign tourist. The sale voucher should show details regarding the tourists' passport number, nationality, the details of goods purchased, the prices, total value, number and denominations of travellers' cheques, etc.
- (ii) the payment for sale should have been made in the form of foreign currency or foreign currency travellers' cheques. Details of the foreign cheques should be given. A certificate from an authorised dealer in foreign exchange should be produced to the effect that the foreign currency or foreign currency travellers' cheques referred to above have been surrendered in accordance with the Exchange Control Rules;
- (iii) The registered exporters will send weekly reports to the All India Handicrafts Board showing details regarding the foreign tourists to whom the items were sold (name, nationality, passport number, etc.) the description, quantity and value of the items sold, the foreign currency or foreign currency travellers' cheques in which payment is made and the authorised dealer in foreign exchange through whom these cheques have been encashed.

2. The applications for import licences from registered exporters should be made to the All India Handicrafts Board who will forward the applications to the Licensing Authorities concerned after scrutiny and verification.

3. The Scheme will be deemed to have come into force on the 1st April, 1963 and will apply to all sales effected on or after that date.

4. The import entitlement will be as set out in Appendix 23 of the Red Book (reproduced in the Appendix).

APPENDIX—I

Sl. No.	Description of goods to be exported	Total Import Entitlement	Materials allowed	Percentage of different materials
1	2	3	4	5
1	cut or polished synthetic stones	25% of F. O. B. value of exports.	Rough Synthetic Stones (other than white and red)	Within the over-all entitlement specified in Column 3-(i) upto 2½% of the f.o.b. value of exports may be utilised for import of rhodium solution and platinum solders, and (ii) upto 10% of the f.o.b. value of exports may be utilised for import of machinery, equipment, testing apparatus, tools and implements required for the industry.
2	Imitation Jewellery	33-1/3%	Glass Beads and false pearls. Rough Synthetic Stones (other than white and red)	Within the over-all import entitlement specified in col. 3. (i) upto 5% of the f.o.b. value of exports, may be utilised for import of permissible types of fittings, chemicals and abrasives and (ii) upto 10% of the f.o.b. value of exports may be utilised for import of machinery, equipment, testing apparatus, tools, and implements required for the industry.

SUBJECT:—*Export Promotion Scheme for export of pearls, diamonds, precious and semi-precious stones through sales to foreign tourists.*

No. 57-ITC(PN)/63.—Attention of the Trade is invited to the items mentioned against Sl. Nos. 14, 15 and 16 in Part II, Annexure I of Appendix 23 to the Import Trade Control Policy Book for April, 1963-March, 1964, covering exports of:—

1. drilled, bleached/unbleached, processed/unprocessed, or polished pearls (real or cultured),
2. cut or polished diamonds,
3. cut or polished precious stones or semi-precious stones.

2. It has now been decided to grant import incentives against the export of above mentioned materials by way of sales to foreign tourists also, in accordance with the specific provisions of the Export Promotion Scheme as per Annexure I to this Public Notice.

3. Registered Exporters who wish to avail themselves of the import incentives provided in this Scheme would be required to obtain an authorisation from the Reserve Bank of India for accepting the payments in foreign currency or foreign currency travellers' cheques against the sale of above mentioned items to the foreign tourists. Applications for such authorisation should be routed through the All Indian Handicrafts Board, Willingdon Crescent, New Delhi.

4. This Scheme will come into force with effect from 1st July, 1963 and will apply to sale of the above items effected on or after the 1st July, 1963.

5. This supersedes the Public Notice No. 120-ITC(PN)/62, dated the 19th September, 1962.

ANNEXURE I TO PUBLIC NOTICE No. 57-ITC(PN)/63, DATED THE 11TH JUNE, 1963.

Export Promotion Scheme for export of pearls, diamonds and precious and semi-precious stones through sales to foreign tourists.

The Export Promotion Scheme set out in Part II of Annexure I of Appendix 23 to the Red-Book for April, 1963-March, 1964, covers the export of the following items:

- (a) drilled, bleached/unbleached, processed/unprocessed or polished pearls (real or cultured).
- (b) cut or polished diamonds.
- (c) cut or polished precious stones or semi-precious stones.

The import entitlement allowed to registered exporters against the export of the above items is set out against items 14, 15 and 16 of Part II of Annexure I in Appendix 23 to the Red-Book and is reproduced in the Appendix to this note. It has now been decided that the export of the above items through sales by registered exporters to foreign tourists against payment in foreign currency and foreign currency travellers' cheques will also qualify for import entitlement in terms of the procedure set out below.

2. The following procedure will be followed in respect of sale of such items to foreign tourists in India against payment in foreign currency and foreign currency travellers' cheques:

(i) Each registered exporter will be required to maintain a sale voucher book in a prescribed form. Each sale voucher will be in quadruplicate showing details regarding the name and nationality of the tourist to whom the sale is made, his passport No., the description of the item sold, the sale value in foreign exchange and the rupee equivalent, details of the foreign currency and foreign currency travellers' cheques given by the tourist, the sea-port or airport of embarkation, the date of the tourists departure from India and the name of the ship or the flight number as the case may be. On the back of the sale voucher, the condition that "articles purchased under this voucher are totally prohibited from being sold, gifted or otherwise disposed of within the territory of India to any person" will be printed boldly.

(ii) The registered exporter will give one copy of the voucher to the tourist. This should be stitched to the passport. Two copies of the sale voucher will be posted under registered post by the exporter to the relevant customs authorities at the sea-port or airport, as the case may be, and the fourth copy will be retained by the exporter.

(iii) At the time of selling these items to the tourist, the exporter will also make an endorsement on the form prescribed for the purpose and attached to the tourist's passport which should read as "jewellery voucher issued".

(iv) Simultaneously, the exporter will also send a telegraphic intimation containing details, as in para 2(i) above, to the Customs authorities at the sea-port or airport of embarkation as the case may be. This telegram will be issued in a standard form to be prescribed by the Central Board of Revenue in consultation with the Department of International Trade. This will ensure that even if the copy of the sale voucher sent by post by the exporter does not reach the customs authorities in time, the telegraphic intimation would have reached these authorities in time.

(v) The Customs authorities concerned will ask each foreign tourist leaving India whether he has to declare any such items purchased within India. The purchase of any such items in India will also come to the notice of the Customs authorities when they scrutinise the passport containing the endorsement on the prescribed form and the sale voucher produced by the tourist. On this scrutiny, the items will be allowed to be carried by the passenger, the sale vouchers with the passenger being duly defaced.

(vi) The Customs authorities will also tally the information given by the tourist with the telegraphic intimation or the sale vouchers received from the exporters concerned. This scrutiny will be made at the time when the tourist is leaving if the information is received from the exporters in time before the departure of the passenger or it will be made after the passenger has left if the telegraphic intimation or the voucher (posted to them by the exporter) is received subsequently. After the scrutiny has been made, one copy of the sale voucher properly endorsed will be returned by the customs authorities to the All India Handicrafts Board. As statement of such items allowed to be exported will be prepared every day by the customs authorities and sent to the All India Handicrafts Board with a copy to the Central Board of Revenue.

(vii) A statement of such items sold to foreign tourists against foreign currency and foreign currency travellers' cheques will also be sent by the registered exporters to the All India Handicrafts Board, and the Central Board of Revenue, on a fortnightly basis to facilitate comparison and scrutiny.

(viii) In cases where the passport of the tourist has been kept by the police authorities, the above provisions will apply as if for the word "passport" the words "landing certificate" had been substituted.

3. The import entitlement in respect of sales of such items to foreign tourists in India against foreign currency and foreign currency travellers' cheques will be allowed only on receipt of the customs certified sale vouchers and proof of surrender of foreign exchange to an Authorised Dealer (Exchange Bank). The applications for import licences from the registered exporters should be made to the All India Handicrafts Board, which will forward the applications to the licensing authorities concerned after scrutiny and verification with the customs certified sale-vouchers etc.

4. This scheme will come into force from 1st July, 1963 and will apply to sales of such items effected on or after 1st July, 1963.

5. The import entitlements will be as set out in Appendix 23 of Red Book (reproduced in Annexure II).

ANNEXURE II TO PUBLIC NOTICE No. 57—ITC(PN)/63 DATED 11TH JUNE, [1963

Extracts from Part II of Annexure I of Appendix 23 of the Red Book relating to export promotion scheme for pearls, Diamonds, precious and semi precious stones.

Sl No.	Export Products	Registering Authority	Types of materials to be imported	I. T. C. Schedule Part No. and S. No.	Extent of import entitlement in terms of f.o.b. value of the exported product	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	
14	Drilled, bleached/Unbleached / processed/unprocessed or polished pearls (real or cultured).	Export Promotion Authorities at Bombay/Calcutta/Madras/Ernakulam/New Delhi within their respective jurisdiction.	Real or cultured pearls unset.	IV/254	80%	Within the overall import entitlement specified in col. 6, (i) upto 10% of f.o.b. value of export may be utilised for import of machinery, equipment, testing apparatus, tools and implements required for the industry, and (ii) upto 5% of f.o.b. value of export may be utilised for import of permissible types of chemicals and abrasives.
15	Cut or polished diamonds.	Do.	Diamonds uncut and unset.	V/61	80%	Within the overall import entitlement specified in col. 6, (i) upto 20% of the f.o.b. value of export may be utilised for the import of precious or semi-precious stones unset and imported uncut falling under Part IV/253, (ii) upto 15% of the f.o.b. value of exports may be utilised for import of permissible types of chemicals, abrasives, R odium solution, Patinum and palladium in the form of ingots, wires, plates or solders ; and (iii) upto 10% of the f.o.b. value of exports may be utilised for impor of machinery, equipment, testing apparatus, too s and implements required fo the industry.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
16	Cut or polished precious stones or semi precious stones.	Export Promotion Authorities at Bombay/Cuttack/Madras/Ernakulam/New Delhi within their respective jurisdiction.	Precious or semi-precious stones, unset and imported uncut.	IV/253	80%	Within overall import entitlement specified in col. 6-(i) upto 20% of the f.o.b. value of exports may be utilised for import of diamonds uncut and unset falling under Part V/61; (ii) upto 15% of the f.o.b. value of exports may be utilised for import of permissible types of chemicals, abrasives, Rhodium solution, Platinum and palladium in the form of ingots, wires, plates or solders; and (iii) upto 10% of the f.o.b. value of exports may be utilised for import of machinery equipment, testing apparatus, tools and implements required for the industry.

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